

NEWS RELEASE

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Whooping Cough
Weekly Media Conference Call Scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 26

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health's weekly media conference call regarding whooping cough (pertussis) activity in the state will be held <u>Thursday</u>, <u>Aug. 26</u>, <u>2004</u>, <u>at 3 p.m.</u>

To connect to the conference call, the media is asked to follow these steps:

- 1) Dial 866.262.1846.
- 2) Once you are connected, enter *3282378*. (Please note: The star key must be pressed before and after the pin number.)
- 3) If you have trouble connecting, call the help desk at 800.263.3863 option 2.

Members of the media who wish to attend in person can meet at 3 p.m. in the AV Room 210 on the second floor of the Judicial Wing in the State Capitol Building, Bismarck, N.D.

Updated whooping cough numbers are posted by noon Monday through Friday on the North Dakota Department of Health's Disease Control website at www.health.state.nd.us/disease. Conference calls with the media will be held weekly as warrants. For more information about Thursday's conference call, contact Loreeta Leer Frank at 701.328.1665.

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